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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES DIVISION

In re

ASHOT GEVORK EGIAZARIAN, an
individual,

Debtor.

Case No. 2:25-bk-13838 BB

Hon. Sheri Bluebond

Chapter 7

1 JOHN J. MENCHACA, in his capacity as
2 Chapter 7 Trustee,

3 Plaintiff,

4 v.

5 COMPAGNIE MONEGASQUE DE
6 BANQUE, a bank of Monaco of unknown
7 form; MITRA HOLDINGS SA, a Luxembourg
8 entity of unknown form; LEX THIELEN, an
9 individual; LEX THIELEN & ASSOCIES, a
10 Luxembourg entity of unknown form;
11 PB MONTAIGNE ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW
12 LTD, a Swiss entity of unknown form; SUREN
13 YEGIAZARYAN, also known as SUREN
14 EGIАЗARIAN, an individual; ARTEM
15 YEGIAZARYAN, also known as ARTEM
16 EGIАЗARIAN, an individual;

17 Defendants.

Adv. Proc. No. No. 2:25-ap-01197-BB

**DECLARATION OF AARON J. MALO
RE SERVICE OF SUMMONS,
COMPLAINT, EMERGENCY MOTION,
NOTICE OF HEARING, AND ORDER
PROVISIONALLY ALLOWING
SHORTENED NOTICE**

Hearing Information:

Judge: Hon. Neil W. Bason

Date: May 21, 2025

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Ctrm: 1545

255 E. Temple St.

Los Angeles, CA 90012

1 I, Aaron J. Malo, declare:

2 1. I am a partner at the law firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP
3 (“Sheppard Mullin”), proposed general counsel to the chapter 7 trustee, John J. Menchaca (the
4 “Trustee”), in the above-captioned bankruptcy case. The matters stated herein are true and
5 correct, and are within my personal knowledge. If called to testify as a witness, I could and would
6 testify competently thereto.

7 2. My office coordinated filing the *Complaint* commencing this adversary proceeding
8 (the “Complaint”) [Adv. Dkt. 1] and the *Emergency Motion For Temporary Restraining Order*
9 *And Order To Show Cause Why A Preliminary Injunction Should Not Issue* (the “Emergency
10 Motion”) [Adv. Dkt. 3]. Pursuant to those filings, the Court issued an *Order Provisionally*
11 *Shortening Time* (the “Order”) [Adv. Dkt. 4] requiring that the Trustee effectuate service of
12 process and take certain actions. This declaration is intended to partially satisfy the instructions
13 provided in Section 7 of the Order.

14 3. As detailed in the concurrently filed declaration of John M. Genga, he provided
15 notice of today’s scheduled hearing to, among others, lawyers known to represent Compagnie
16 Monégasque de Banque (“CMB Monaco”), Mitra Holdings SA (“Mitra”), Lex Thielen and Lex
17 Thielen & Associates (collectively, “Thielen”), PB Montaigne Attorneys-at-law Ltd (“PBM”), and
18 Suren Egiazarian (“Suren”)¹ via email in the morning of Tuesday, May 20, 2025. I followed up
19 on each of those email messages with my own emails, to which I attached copies of the
20 Complaint, Emergency Motion, and Order, as well as a copy of the *Summons And Notice of Status*
21 *Conference In Adversary Proceeding* (the “Summons”) [Adv. Dkt. 6]. Those emails were sent at
22 11:49 am PT (to counsel for Suren), 11:49 am PT (to counsel for PBM), 11:50 am PT (to counsel
23 for CMB Monaco), 1:04 pm PT (to counsel Thielen). I subsequently served the *Notice of Hearing*
24 *on Emergency Motion For Temporary Restraining Order And Order To Show Cause Why A*
25 *Preliminary Injunction Should Not Issue* (the “Notice”) [Adv. Dkt. 7] on all those same attorneys
26 at 1:56 pm PT.

27 _____
28 ¹ No disrespect is intended by defining this, or any other litigant, by his first name. This is done
purely for clarity, as several defendants and interested parties have common or similar surnames.

EXHIBIT A

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT AN ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address) Aaron J. Malo SBN: 179985 - Anastasia K. Billy SBN: 210416 SHEPPARD, MULLN, RICHTER & HAMPTON LLP 650 Town Center Drive - 10th Floor Costa Mesa, CA 92626 TELEPHONE NO: 714.513.5100 FAX NO.: 714.513.5130 EMAIL ADDRESS (Optional): amalo@sheppardmullin.com abilly@sheppardmullin.com Proposed General Counsel for Plaintiff and Chapter 7 Trustee Ref No. or File No.: ATTORNEY FOR (Name): JOHN J. MENCHACA				FOR COURT USE ONLY	
Insert name of Court, and Judicial District and Branch Court: UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT - CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles Division					
PLAINTIFF: JOHN J. MENCHACA, et al DEFENDANT: COMPAGNIE MONEGASQUE DE BANQUE, et al					
PROOF OF SERVICE		HEARING DATE: 5/21/2025	TIME: 2:00 PM	DEPT:	CASE NUMBER: 2:25-bk-13838 BB

AT THE TIME OF SERVICE I WAS AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE AND NOT A PARTY TO THIS ACTION, AND I **SERVED COPIES** OF THE:

Summons and Notice of Status Conference in Adversary Proceeding [LBR 7004-1]; Complaint; Emergency Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Order to Show Cause Why A Preliminary Injunction Should Not Issue; Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support Thereof; Order Provisionally Shortening Time; Notice on Hearing on Emergency Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Order to Show Cause Why A Preliminary Injunction Should Not Issue

PARTY SERVED: **SUREN YEGIAZARYAN, also known as SUREN EGIАЗARIAN, an individual**

BY SERVING: **"JOHN DOE" (white, male, 25yrs, 5'8", 190lbs, blnd & blk hair) - CO-OCCUPANT**

DATE & TIME OF DELIVERY: **5/20/2025**

8:15 PM

ADDRESS, CITY, AND STATE: **655 ENDRINO PLACE**

BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210

Fee for service was: \$976.00

County: Los Angeles

Registration: 6461

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562.505.0374

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of
The State of California that the foregoing information
contained in the return of service and statement of
service fees is true and correct and that this
declaration was executed on **5/21/2025**

Signature: _____


Gustavo Gonzalez

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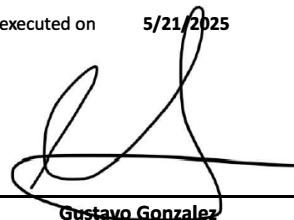
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